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TWO KILLED ONE WOUNDED

BAD SHOOTING OCCURRED ON
MAIN ST. THIS MORNING

JOHN BRAZIEL IS IN JAIL

D. B. Cook, Constable, and J. A. Sims, a Farmer, Are Dead and Jim Billings, Another Farmer Has Wounds in Arm and Hip

What was probably the most unaccounted for and unfortunate shooting affair ever occurred in this city took place at about 2:30 this morning on East Main street, near the McCoy drug store. At that hour John Braziel and a man by the name of Williams and Pat McCan, walked down from a stairway and were standing on the sidewalk. Coming from the east D. B. Cook, constable at Providence and two of his neighbors, J. A. Sims and Jim Billings, passed by and in doing so rubbed against Braziel, some words were passed and Mr. Cook stated he was an officer and would arrest Braziel if he became too smart. Braziel said there was not enough constables to arrest him and both men it seems went for their guns. Cook never fired. Braziel shot him in the chin and the ball passed through his neck. He lived about four hours. Braziel then turned his gun on Sims and shot him near the heart, causing instant death. Billings began to run and was shot through the left arm and through the left hip. Policeman Redmon was standing on Main street west of the depot. He saw the flash of the pistol and saw the man shooting. Braziel stepped to the left each time he shot and after he had fired three shots he passed to the opposite side of the street and fired two more shots. Billings ran in to the policeman asking for protection saying that he had been shot to pieces. Braziel also approached Redmon and handed him his empty gun, stating that he had killed some fellows that he was sorry that he had to do it. These are the facts as best they can be gathered and there is another story being told which is more in favor of Braziel. The county attorney this morning took the statements of the man Williams who was with Braziel and of Jim Billings who is at the sanitarium. Billings was under the influence of opiates and the reporter took no statement from him. Billings seemed to be very much surprised that a shooting scrape occurred from the provocations offered. The three men from Providence were good citizens and the affair is a very unfortunate one.

Braziel was placed in the county jail and acting under orders from the county attorney, no one was allowed to see him this morning. The brothers of Braziel this morning employed

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J. B. Champion in the case, and it is likely that an examining trial will be held within a few days.

Williams said he had known Braziel only a short time. Pat McCan could not be found this morning and his evidence has not been taken.

Some of the persons who saw the affair state that Cook punched Braziel with his gun and either Cook or one of the men with him called Braziel an ugly name. It is very difficult to get anything like a clear statement of the surroundings of the killing and they will probably not be known until the trial is held.

Cook and Billings were taken to the sanitarium and their wounds dressed by Drs. Hart, Henry and Cox. After the death of Cook which occurred about six this morning, the remains of Cook and Sims were taken to the undertaking parlors of Brown & Bridgman and prepared for shipment to Durwood, where the burials will be held.

HASKELL VS. ROOSEVELT

GOVERNOR NOW PROPOSES SETTLEMENT WITH PRESIDENT.

OF PERSONAL QUESTIONS

Accuses the President of Being Reckless and Dishonest in Statements and Since Campaign is Over Wants a Settlement.

Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 3.—The following open letter from Governor Haskell to President Roosevelt was released to the press today:

Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 2. Hon. Theo. Roosevelt, White House, Washington, D. C.

Sir:—As the campaign is now over we can settle our personal questions without charge of political purpose. You have been reckless and dishonest in your statements concerning me and I am determined to hold you to account for your false statements. Like your associate, Mr. Hearst, you have been talking of your readiness to accept service in any civil or criminal case in any state in the union. I have therefore selected Missouri as a state mutually accessible and impartial. Do you agree to enter your appearance waiving technicalities?

As to your criminal conduct which occurred in our own state of course no other state would have jurisdiction, but out of respect for the high office you hold I shall defer action in that matter until you become a private citizen, when I shall expect you either voluntarily or by due process of law to answer as any other citizen for your outrageous conduct against the peace and good morals of the community adjacent to the big pasture. The law should know no favorites nor excuse such flagrant violations.

C. N. HASKELL.

Public Debt Statement.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The monthly statement of the public debt shows at the close of business Oct. 31, 1908, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounting to \$976,775,625, which is an increase for the month of \$8,311,975.

ELKINS DOESN'T FAVOR IT

NO ENTHUSIASM ABOUT HIS DAUGHTER'S MARRIAGE.

FEARS FOR HER HAPPINESS

For a Different Reason the Senator Dislikes the Idea as Much as the Dowager Queen—No Marriage Unless Family is mollified.

Elkins, W. Va., Nov. 2.—A further exchange of cablegrams today between Miss Katherine Elkins and the Duke of the Abruzzi has changed the plans of Miss Elkins and her family. Last night Miss Elkins announced that she would be here until the middle of November. Miss Marjorie Gould of New York City is to join her at once. Miss Rosalie O'Brien is to return to New York City tomorrow to complete her bridesmaid's trossau. It is not likely that the Elkins family will go to Washington until the duke arrives in this country.

Senator Elkins returned from New York City this afternoon and said he would be here for two weeks. "Yes," he added, "and perhaps three, and I am going to eat wild turkey."

As usual, Senator Elkins endeavored to evade making a direct reply concerning the plans for his daughter's wedding.

Today Miss Elkins went down town early. She was accompanied by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Blaine Elkins, and Miss Rosalie O'Brien. Miss Elkins received a cablegram and then drove about the city. Returning to the telegraph office, she wrote a cablegram and, before sending it, submitted it to the other ladies. When they passed their approval upon it she had it sent.

Today it was learned that Mrs. Elkins and her daughter had been receiving instructions from a Washington linguist in the Italian and French languages. This tutor has been here ever since Miss Elkins returned from Bar Harbor. Both mother and daughter spend a part of each day in receiving instructions. The linguist also was here a year ago. Miss Elkins received all of her instructions from a governess and never attended a young woman's school.

Last night Senator Elkins told a close friend that, while he did not approve of the wedding his was not the only opposition. He said that the dowager queen was firm in her opposition.

"She is opposed for one reason and I am for another," he said. He said that he did not believe his daughter would be happy. He made it plain to his friend, though, that there would be no wedding unless the duke could give positive assurance that Miss Elkins when she became his bride would be received with all the courtesy due one of royal blood.

"I will not permit my daughter to be snubbed by the royal family," said Senator Elkins.

DEATH OF GOV. MOSELEY

FORMER CHIEF OF CHICKASAWS PASSES AWAY AT HIS HOME NEAR WAPANUCKA

Tishomingo, Okla., Nov. 1.—Palmer Moseley, ex-Governor of the Chickasaw nation, died at his home near Wapanucka yesterday afternoon of heart failure. Gov. Moseley headed the Chickasaw nation during the years 1904 and 1905 as governor. He was the recognized leader among the full-bloods and his assistance rendered the government officials materially contributed to the various treaties adopted for the final disposition of tribal affairs. His remains will be buried at the family burying ground Monday afternoon.

EMPEROR'S BIRTHDAY

THE MIKADO OF JAPAN IS 56 TODAY AND THE ENTIRE COUNTRY SHOWING PATRIOTISM

Tokio, Nov. 3.—Mitsuhito, Emperor of Japan, is today 56 years of age and all Nippon is in a ferment of enthusiastic patriotism. In Tokio, Yokohama and all the smaller cities of the emperor great celebrations are in progress. The annual review of troops by the emperor, which always marks the anniversary of the birth of the ruler of Japan was more gorgeous and magnificent than ever before and was witnessed by thousands of Americans and Europeans.

The Mikado of Japan, Mitsuhito, was born November 3, 1852, at Kyoto. He succeeded his father, Komei Tenno, February 13, 1867, and was married to Princess Haruko, daughter of Prince Ichijo, on February 9, 1869. She was born May 28, 1859, and seven children, three princes and four princesses, have been the result of the union.

It is the claim of the Japanese that their empire was founded in 660 B. C. by the first emperor, Jimmu, and that his family still reigns. Some time in the Twelfth century, however, there was a break in the dynasty and the throne passed to other families, who continued to hold it until 1868, when the present sovereign, after a short war, overthrew the power of the Shogun. The sovereign bears the title of Kotai, or emperor, although he is generally known throughout foreign countries as the Mikado, or "The Honorable Gate."

COLLISION ON POTOMAC

STEAMER AND FERRY BOAT COLLIDE EARLY TODAY.

ONE OF PASSENGERS KILLED

Collision of Two Vessels Said to Have Been Due to Confusion of Signals and Low Water in the Stream.

Washington, (D. C., Nov. 3.—Early today a collision occurred in the Potomac river between the steamer City of Washington and the ferry boat Lackawanna, bound from Washington to Alexandria.

One man, Sam Delankin, aged 40, a merchant of Alexandria, was killed.

The collision is believed to have been due to a confusion of signals and the inability on account of the low stage of the water to handle the ferry boat.

Oklahoma Election Law.

Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 1.—In an opinion last night Attorney General West set forth the duties of election counters, as provided in Oklahoma's new general election law.

"The counters," says the opinion, "are delegated full power and authority to count ballots and record the votes cast, tie and seal stub books and in the discharge of this duty they are not subject in any way to the interference of the election officials, the inspector, judge or clerk. These counters are to be subjected so that not more than three are of the same political faith."

In the matter of challenging votes the opinion holds that any one of the counters may challenge, noting on the ballots. The reasons for such challenge and such ballots so marked are to be sent to the election canvassing board in an envelope labeled "challenged ballots."

Search for Drowned Man.

Denison, Texas, Nov. 2.—Officers left this evening for Red River to search for the body of Will Cox, a young man who left a note stating that he had drowned himself. His clothing, hat, shoes, etc., were found on the bank of the river.

EARLY VOTE VERY HEAVY

IN CLOSE STATES VOTING WAS UNUSUALLY HEAVY TODAY

THE RESULT IN NEW YORK

Outcome of Vote in Big State May be Expected Early and Will Give an Insight Into the Result Over the Nation

New York, N. Y., Nov. 3.—With the first gray shadows of approaching dawn the American voters today sought to choose a new president of the United States.

Early weather reports today were favorable and a heavy vote is being polled in every state where there has been the semblance of a contest between the leading parties.

The polls opened throughout New York state at 6 o'clock and the closing hour will be 5. There was a rush of voters at practically every polling place in this city this morning, as soon as the ballot boxes were opened.

Erie county, in which Buffalo is located, is declared to be unusually accurate in indicating the national result. This county will be one of the first to announce and a comparison of the figures of that county with those of two and four years ago will give an idea of the drift in the state and nation.

Teddy and Son Vote.

Oyster Bay, Nov. 3.—President Roosevelt reached his polling place at 9:23 o'clock this morning and cast ballot No. 141. Theodore Roosevelt Jr. deposited ballot No. 142. The president shook hands with everybody at the polls and after receiving his ballot from the clerk remained in the booth one minute. Theodore Jr. was handed a ballot immediately after his father but took twice as long to vote it. After Secretary Loeb had voted, the president and his son drove to Sagamore Hill.

Vote Slow in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 3.—The polls opened at 6 o'clock this morning. Because of the confusing ballot, voting is proceeding slowly. The weather is mild and pleasant.

Heavy Vote at St. Jo.

St. Joseph, Mo., Nov. 3.—Election day is cloudy but pleasant. There is an unusually heavy vote being polled. Greater interest is indicated than in any previous presidential election.

Cut Republican Majority.

Topeka, Kans., Nov. 3.—This city's normal republican majority of 3,000 will be greatly reduced in today's election as conservative politicians here. There are few straight tickets. A very heavy vote is being cast.

Fog Over Southern Kansas.

Wichita, Kans., Nov. 3.—A dense fog, which is rare in Kansas, prevailed over the southern portion of this state today. Candidates predicted rain later in the day and urged early voting.

Bryan Voted Early.

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 3.—Election day at Fairview was ushered in by clear skies. Bryan was as early looking over the mass of telegrams received from different parts of the country giving assurance of democratic success.

At 9 o'clock, accompanied by J. L. Lyons, Secretary Reid and the correspondent of the Associated Press, the democratic candidate drove in a dog cart to Neill's grocery store, in the village of Normal. At 9:15 Bryan deposited his ballot, and as he did so a score of visitors in the store removed their hats and wished him success.

Labor Men Vote Early.

Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 3.—There was a full early vote in Oklahoma today. The union labor men, following instructions to go to the polls in the morning hours, caused a heavy early

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vote. The cold rain in some sections of the state did not dampen the interest.

Washington Seems Deserted.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 3.—Possessing no vote of her own, yet particularly interested in the result of the election, Washington today occupies a whose sons go to war on different sides. This city is quite deserted by its men of importance.

Taft Hasn't Voted Yet.

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 3.—Taft, accompanied by his wife, arrived here this morning from his election tour. Important office matters required his attention upon his arrival and he said he would not cast his ballot until late this afternoon. He declared that he felt in every way as good as the day he began the campaign.

Old Man Had to Wait.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 3.—John D. Rockefeller stood in line for forty minutes before he had a chance to deposit his ballot. Judge Alton B. Parker was in line almost immediately behind him.

Scratching in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 3.—There is much scratching of the ticket in Missouri today. Indications this afternoon are that a full vote will be polled in this city. Oliver R. Burkhardt, republican election judge, was assaulted near his polling place here. A score of arrests for various offenses have been made, among them Felix McAdams, democratic nominee for legislature from the third district.

Voting Slow at Wichita.

Wichita, Kan., Nov. 3.—Ninety per cent of the ballots are being scratched. Many voters are waiting in line and the tardy ones are ordered from the booths every three minutes.

Negroes Scratching Ticket.

Topeka, Kan., Nov. 3.—Information from over the state shows that an unusually heavy vote is being polled. The negroes are scratching their tickets heavily in Topeka.

For Bryan Two to One.

Fairview, Neb., Nov. 3.—Bryan's precinct is running more than two to one in his favor. The vote at noon, standing Bryan 51, Taft 23.

Cannon Seems Re-Elected.

Danville, Ill., Nov. 3.—The weather is clear and warm and a heavy vote enthusiastic

is being polled over the congressional district represented by Speaker Cannon. As far as Vermillion and Danville are concerned the opposition to Cannon has dwindled away. Reports from over the entire district are very encouraging to him.

BATTLESHIPS AT AMOY

BIRTHDAY OF DOWAGER EMPRESS AND PRESENCE OF AMERICANS, FESTIVITIES

Amoy, China, Nov. 3.—The 74th anniversary of the birth of Dowager Empress of China was celebrated today. The event was made the greatest day of festivities in honor of the visiting American battleships under Rear Admiral Emory.

SQUADRON AT MANILA

NEW CASES OF CHOLERA THERE DAILY, BUT DISEASE IS SAID TO BE UNDER CONTROL.

Manila, P. I., Nov. 2.—The flagship, Connecticut, and the Vermont, Nebraska Kansas and Georgia for the first squadron of the Atlantic battleship fleet, came to Manila today from Olangapo for coal and stores. The Vermont will return to Olangapo tonight.

There continues to be an average of three new cases of cholera daily in Manila, but the disease is largely confined to outlying districts and the cholera situation is now said to be under complete control.

Pipe Line Bursts.

Leavenworth, Kans., Nov. 2.—The main pipe line of the Kansas National Gas company which supplied gas to consumers between the gas fields at Independence and the cities of Atchison, Kans., and St. Joseph, Mo., burst three miles north of Leavenworth, Sunday. The accident leaves the towns of Lawrence, Atchison and St. Joseph completely without gas, light and heat tonight.

Panama Celebration.

Panama, Nov. 3.—Independence Day was celebrated today throughout the republic of Panama. High mass was celebrated and patriotic orations were delivered by the best orators of the country. A general holiday obtained and fireworks and explosives were largely used by the

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